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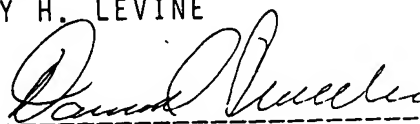
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.27 as amended
and effective September 8, 2000 and in accordance with Section
1.27(c) in particular, the above-identified applicants hereby
formally present and file their written assertion of entitlement
to Small Entity status.

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventor(s), I/we hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or we believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "DEVICES, SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR CREATING ON-DEMAND VASCULAR ANASTOMOSES AND HOLLOW ORGAN COMMUNICATION CHANNELS", the specification of which:

_____ is attached hereto; or
_____XXXX was filed on November 15, 2000 as United States
Application Serial No. 09/213,589_____; or
_____ was filed on _____ as PCT International
Application No. _____ and was amended on _____.

I/We hereby state that I/We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 35 U.S.C. 1.56, including material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the National or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application, if applicable.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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Application No. 60/169,874 filed on December 9, 1999

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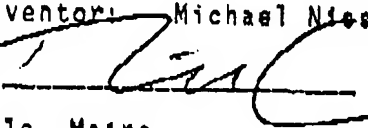
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